

In a recent issue we made mention of the fact that this distinguished gentleman had been strongly recommended for renomination to Congress by the democracy of Noxubee county, in the third (Mississippi) district.

We have since observed that the popular movement in his favor is general throughout the district. Lowndes, Kemper, Leake, and probably other counties, have emphatically endorsed his course, and instructed their delegates to support him in the nominating convention. We infer from these indications that he will be renominated by acclamation in that body, and be returned by an overwhelming popular vote to the seat which he has so ably and successfully filled. These demonstrations show how firmly he is fixed in the confidence and affection of the people whom he has served; and they are gratifying because the democracy of the whole country—patriots all over the land—are concerned in the election to the national councils of fearless and efficient defenders of the constitution—of men who do not name to count the cost of uncompromising war upon fanaticism in all its phases.

We have been no inattentive observer of the public career of Mr. Barksdale. Though brief, it is well marked. To the zeal and energy of early manhood he adds the skill of the veteran tactician. None who have witnessed his days of anxious toil in the service of the people are amazed at the warm greeting which he is receiving at the hands of his generous and enlightened constituency. We fully endorse the language of the Richmond Enquirer, that "he has never been known to flinch in any hour of dangerous and knotty debate. Faithful to his party, the whole country demands from Mississippi his reelection."

## TEXAS DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The democratic State convention of Texas met at Waco on the 4th inst., and nominated Hon. H. R. Runnels for governor, Hon. Frank Lubbock for lieutenant governor, and Hon. Frank M. White for commissioner of the general land office. The Waco correspondent of the Austin State Gazette writes:

"The friends of each candidate tried best to secure their nomination, and then, like noble men, when they found it impossible to accomplish it, they rolled up their sleeves and sustained with a hearty good will the man whom they found more fully entitled to the nomination of the convention. It was predicted that the Johnson and Runnels men would be found inextricably at sword's points, and that neither would give way to the other until both should be thrown aside. But the delegates had more love of principle and higher and nobler aims than the elevation of men. They laid down their weapons when the proper time arrived, and in fraternal feeling rallied to the support of the choice of the convention."

"We are proud to record this event. Hon. H. R. Runnels is the nominee of the democracy of Texas, without a dissenting voice, in one of the largest conventions ever held in the State of Texas."

## THE GREAT RAILROAD EXCURSION.

We learn from the Baltimore Sun that some change has been made in the arrangements for the great excursion proposed by the directors of the Ohio and Mississippi railroad. The excursion trains will leave Cincinnati on the 5th and 6th of June, instead of on the 4th. At Cincinnati there will be appropriate festivities two days prior to the excursion, and in St. Louis during the first part of the ensuing week. The time for honoring the tickets on the return has been extended to the 20th of June. The most liberal arrangements have been made for the accommodation of the many invited guests, and the excursion cannot fail to be delightful.

## PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLIES.

The general assembly of the Old School Presbyterian Church is still in session at Lexington, Kentucky. On Friday last the attention of the assembly was mainly occupied with reports from theological seminaries.

## THE SUBJOINED TELEGRAPHIC DESPATCH CONTAINS A BRIEF REPORT OF SATURDAY'S PROCEEDINGS OF THE NEW SCHOOL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:

CLERMONT, May 23.—At the afternoon session of the second day of the Presbyterian general assembly now convened in this city, a report was read from the delegates of the Evangelical Conservation of Rhode Island, announcing that a resolution had been adopted by the convention to withdraw from its connection with the New creation fund. The trustees of the church then presented a report from a delegate from the general association of New Hampshire, which shows that separation in the New Hampshire churches from the general assembly had been discussed, but was postponed, and that there was a fair prospect of an adjustment of the difficulties arising chiefly from slavery and church-extension questions.

A memorial from the Presbyterian Historical Society of Philadelphia was presented, relative to the centennial commemoration of the reunion of the synods of New York and Philadelphia, in 1858. A similar memorial has been sent to the Old School Presbyterian assembly now sitting in Lexington, Kentucky.

## HON. JOHN S. CASKIE.

The Richmond Enquirer says:

"It is quite unnecessary for us to appeal to the people of this congressional district to re-elect him whom they have already re-elected, for his re-election is secured by an overwhelming majority. Judge Caskie is appreciated by his constituents. They are proud of him as an estimable, well-souled, generous gentleman, as well as a able advocate of democracy, a fearless vindicator of southern rights, an accomplished debater, and an uncompromising opponent of everything inimical to the interests and honor of Virginia. We are quite confident in anticipating for him an increased majority."

## A DEMOCRATIC MEETING HELD IN CURRICK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, ON THE 5TH INSTANT, THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED:

"Resolved, That we congratulate the democracy of the whole Union for the great victory achieved by them in the election of James Buchanan and John C. Breckinridge; that we have the fullest confidence in their ability and patriotism, and we believe that, through their administration, peace, prosperity, happiness, religious freedom, and the equal rights of the whole people will be strictly observed."

## THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PAPERS STATE THAT SENATOR BELL, WHO HAS BEEN IN FEEBLE HEALTH FOR THE PAST YEAR, IS AT THIS TIME REGARDED BY HIS FRIENDS AS SERIOUSLY ILL.

A patent of four sections of land has just been issued by the General Land Office to the Christian Indians, a delegation from which tribe, it will be recollected, recently visited this city.

## HON. GUY M. BRYAN IS THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS.

The Newcastle (Henry county, Indiana) Courier says: "The county poor-house, situated a mile and a half from that place, was totally destroyed by fire on Saturday last."

The latest phase of the Burdell murder (says the New York correspondent of the Baltimore Sun) is the announcement that his relatives are about to apply for a commission to examine a witness in California, named Whitehead C. Hyde. The affidavit states that the facts which Hyde is expected to prove are, that he had been engaged for the two years past to be married to Mrs. Cunningham, and that she had kept up a correspondence with him favorably to that end up to the 10th of December last, a month and a half subsequent to the date of the alleged marriage. Mr. Edwards, counsel for Dr. Burdell's relatives, says that he derives this information from the friends of Mr. Hyde. Mrs. Cunningham, however, denies the whole of the statement. A letter has also been received from another source, not directly connected with the litigation, in which it is alleged that Dr. Burdell himself was married two years previous to his death, and that his wife is still living.

The Philadelphia Ledger notices, among the results of the recent election in Philadelphia, that the city treasurer, the district attorney, one member of select council, four members of common council, one of the clerks of council, the mayor's clerk, fourteen principals of the public schools, three of the professors and all the assistants in the High School, and a large number (in some wards a majority) of the directors of the public schools are graduates of the High School.

The man who taught Fenimore Cooper his alphabet (says the New York Express) was in Buffalo a few days since. He is a veteran turned ninety years. He prides himself upon his agility and the firm, steady steps by which he can walk off two or three miles with little fatigue, and more firmly than many of the young men of his age. He was a graduate of Union College, and emigrated to Cooperstown, Oswego county, in its early history, where he followed the vocation of school teacher. He has filled a seat in our State legislature with credit.

One of the Limerick Journals (the Reporter) writes in a tone of alarm at the continuance of the population drain. The people, it is said, are literally flying in thousands from Irish emigration. It is predicted that at this pace, the Limerick Journal fears there will not be hands to till the soil.

The Eastern Lunatic Asylum, Williamsburg, Virginia, J. M. Galt, M. D., superintendent, has 300 patients; the Western Lunatic Asylum, Staunton, Francis T. Stribling, M. D., superintendent, has 400 patients.

The New York Mirror states that the negro Dorsey was sentenced on Saturday last to be hanged on the 17th of July next for the murder of a girl named Hopkins.

The Philadelphia Ledger says: "The sign-post upon the road to Africa, where an object for which nations will peacefully contend, immense steamers be built, companies formed, and thousands realize colossal fortunes."

The Mobile Advertiser speaks in terms of elation at the cheering prospect of a speedy conclusion, by their splendid line of railroad, with the Ohio river.

## LOCAL NEWS.

ARREST EXTRAORDINARY.—Jonathan S. Jenkins, United States consul to the Navigator Islands, was arrested yesterday, at 3 p. m., at the instance of the United States, under a warrant issued by Justice Goddard on a charge sworn to by A. Van Camp against him of piracy, for seizing and selling a large amount of property belonging to citizens of the United States. Mr. Jenkins was committed to jail to await the requisition of the governor of the State of New York, where the case must be tried, being the first place he touched at on his arrival on American soil.

## SUBJOINED IS A SYNOPSIS OF DR. VAN CAMP'S CASE:

"Aaron Van Camp was (being a resident at the time in California) appointed by President Pierce to the consulate of the Samoan and Friendly Islands in the Pacific ocean, in the month of October, 1853, and proceeded to his consulate immediately. Having in April, 1856, a large amount of property belonging to falls in Nantuxet, saved from the condemned ship Rambler, in Apia, and which was left with him by her captain to dispose of or ship to the United States for the benefit of whom it might concern, he chartered a schooner called the Eudorus for \$4,000, to convey it to Valparaiso, together with other property belonging to himself and Y. P. Chapin, his partner. This being done, and the cargo on board, bills of lading and charter party signed, (copies of which are in the State Department), he left on the United States frigate Independence, (May, 1856), at the solicitation and suggestion of Commodore Marvin, to protect the Eudorus on its arrival at its destination, leaving his residence, furniture, private property of his lady's, his store, with goods, books, &c., &c., in charge of his partner, Y. P. Chapin, with the determination of returning to Apia as soon as his mission was completed.

## THE EUDORUS WAS ORDERED TO FOLLOW HIM WITHIN FOUR OR FIVE DAYS.

"After waiting at Valparaiso for over six weeks, and fearing the safety of the Eudorus and cargo, he was surprised with the information that a new consul had succeeded him at Apia, and who arrived three days subsequent to his departing on the Independence, and on the very hour the Eudorus was weighing anchor to proceed on her charter party.

"The new consul, J. S. Jenkins, immediately on his arrival, sent a person with an armed force whom he had brought with him from San Francisco to take possession of the schooner and her lading. His next proceeding was to engage an admiralty court, and to appoint judges in admiralty and vice-consular, appointed other judges, clerks, marshals, and so forth; issued process in and under the name of the President of the United States to the aforesaid pseudo officers; confiscated the property on board the Eudorus, as well as that, both real and personal, which belonged both to his property and to Y. P. Chapin. Among these were a pair of noble bald eagles which belonged to a person named Cushing in Massachusetts, supposed to be the late United States Attorney General, and which had been sent from the United States consul at Lahaina, to be forwarded to their owner; but collected by the Eudorus before it sailed, and they were taken in charge by the consul, Van Camp.

"After the mock trial was had—confiscation made—the whole of the aforesaid were disposed of at public auction at great sacrifices; the low acrelands who infest the beach at Apia (Sydney escapes and others) becoming the property of the consul, and the Eudorus, after the court. It will be here proper to remark that, with few exceptions, they were all Englishmen, and who had assisted in concocting this affair in San Francisco. Mr. Van Camp, the consul, had never been apprized of the intention of the President to remove him. These contracts being concluded, Consul Jenkins, with the aid of the consul, as removed, reappointed, and would soon be at Apia to call him to account, left; after appointing one Robert L. Swanston, an Englishman, or rather Van Diemen's Land man, as his vice consul, who appeared yesterday in this city, when the aforesaid arrest was made.

"The consul, Jenkins, is now in the city, and is the personage who figured as the clerk of the court, as well as consul for certain claimants who, taking advantage of Van Camp's absence, instituted actions in the admiralty court of Consul Jenkins.

"To secure the cargo on board the Eudorus the captain is held, and paid \$4,000 for the use of the ship, agreed on for the charter party with Van Camp. His name is Henry Seaman. The property thus sacrificed belonging to the Nantuxet persons amounted to about \$70,000, while that of Y. P. Chapin & Co. and A. Van Camp was over \$100,000. All this was done without authority from government. Somebody will have to foot the bill."

## WE SHALL GIVE FURTHER PARTICULARS AS THEY TRANSPIRE.

DEATH OF A FAITHFUL OFFICER.—It is with regret that we announce the death of Sunday morning last, at his residence in this city, of Dr. Charles S. Fralley, aged fifty-three years. Dr. Fralley was appointed a clerk in the General Land Office in the year 1835. Subsequently he became the chief of the Pre-emption bureau in that office, the multifarious and complicated duties of which he discharged with signal ability and his proverbial integrity. In the year 1853, on the happening of a vacancy in the office of chief clerk of the General Land Office, he was by President Pierce, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate of the United States, commissioned principal clerk of public lands, which office he held until some time in 1855, when his health became so frail that he was induced by his friends to resign that position and take a principal clerkship in the Department of the Interior, which he held to the day of his death.

In all his official relations Dr. Fralley sustained the highest reputation as an intelligent, honest, and faithful public servant.

## RE-REFRIGERATORS, ICE PITCHERS, WATER-COOLERS, &amp;c.

Refrigerators, Ice Pitchers, Water-coolers, &c.—I have just received at my house, for sale, a large assortment of cabinet furniture and household goods generally, all of which will be sold at very low prices and on accommodating terms.

## G. A. SCHWARTZMAN, Grand Secretary.

## COLLECTOR OF TAXES.—James F. Halliday is a candidate for this office.

## J. L. HENSHAW, J. M. MURPHY, J. W. LATHAM, Commissioners.

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GAS CONSUMERS.—The newspapers are publishing an account of a man residing in Patterson, New Jersey, who was informed that he could not be supplied with gas from the company until the bill of a previous tenant was paid. He sued for and recovered twenty-five dollars damages. The Gas Company, it appears, have entered an appeal, but consented to furnish the gas, notwithstanding the fact that the bill in question remains unpaid.

Some months ago the Washington Gas Company refused, under similar circumstances, to supply the illuminating substance, and the justice actually gave judgment against the defendant, who threatened an appeal to the circuit court.

Just as well might a baker refuse to sell a man bread until he paid the arrearages of the previous tenant, as for a gas company to exact of him a settlement for some body else's gas light. Such demands are not in accordance with the spirit of an enlightened age.

THE CITY COUNCIL.—The last session of the city council of the present administration was held yesterday evening, commencing at 4 o'clock, p. m., and both continuing in session until late at night. Besides a large number of bills for the improvement of streets, the allowance of private claims, &c., both boards passed a bill appropriating \$500 to defray the expenses of the investigation now being prosecuted by the health committee in regard to the National Hotel epidemic. When our reporter left the common council had under consideration a bill submitting to the people the property of subscribing \$200,000 to the Alexandria and Lynchburg railroad, and \$100,000 to the Manassas fall railroad.

The common council bill appropriating \$5,000 for the repair of the Long Bridge was passed by the board of aldermen.

OUTWITTING THE WATCHMEN.—The Star of yesterday states that a man who was caged at the central guard-house, "to be sobered," managed to break through the bars and gratings of his cell, and, proceeding to the trial room, let himself down to the ground through a window.

The question naturally occurs, was it the guard-room which he entered? If so, the watchmen were off their guard. The man, we it appears, worked at the bars with intoxicating draughts, while his strength returned, the bars of his cage became weak, his strength returning throughout was cleverly performed. We had a modern Sanson, who can successfully laugh at the contrivance of the worker in iron as Love does at the locksmith.

OPENING OF THE SPRINGS.—We understand that the lessees of the Fanciful White Sulphur Springs, located near Warrenton, Virginia, Messrs. Baker & Ingram, have determined to open to the public this popular place of summer resort on the 1st day of June. Already we hear of complaints being made of the extreme heat of the past few days, and we feel quite sure that those who can will avail themselves of the refuge thus offered to them from the heat and dust of a residence in the city during the oppressive summer months.

ROAD ROBBERY.—The Star of yesterday afternoon says: "Saturday night the residence of Mr. Howard, United States agent on Ninth street, was entered during his absence by a bold thief, who went through the house, and even into the chamber where Mrs. H. was lying ill in bed, and searched the premises, finding \$410 in gold coin, which he carried off. The thief was apparently well acquainted with the premises. His face was blacked up as if to pass himself off for a negro. He was tracked a short distance, but no arrest was made."

COURT OF CLAIMS YESTERDAY.—Judge Scarsburg delivered the opinion of the court in the case of William B. Page's administrator, adverse to the claim.

Mr. Badger opened the argument for the claimant in the case of Theodore Adams. Mr. McPherson replied on the part of the government; and, without concluding, the court adjourned until 11 o'clock this morning.

THE NAVAL COURTS.—The cases of ex-Lieut. Bartlett and Lieut. Carter are still pending before courts No. 1 and 2. The case of Captain Pearson, before court No. 3, has been closed, and the finding of the court despatched to the Secretary of the Navy. The case of Capt. Graham has been taken up.

DEAD.—The colored man who was injured by the railroad accident on Saturday afternoon last died on Sunday morning.

THE BURDILL MURDER.—The Sunday Mercury reiterates its statement of last week, that the Buell murder was perpetrated by two assassins, who entered the house by a back window, and that evidence there was forthcoming. The motive was revenge on the part of one of the parties, and an "honorable one."

Markets.—NEW YORK, May 25.—Cotton is firm at an advance of 1 cent—sales of 3,800 bales; Orleans middling, 14 1/2 cents; upland middling, 14 cents. Flour advanced—sales of 12,000 barrels; State \$6 50 a \$6 60; Ohio, \$7 a \$7 50; southern, \$7 40 a \$7 75. Wheat is unsettled—sales of 15,000 bushels; St. Louis wharf, \$1 76. Corn is firm—sales of 29,000 bushels; mixed, 94 cents; yellow, 95 cents; white, 97 cents. Pork is steady—mess, \$23 75. Beef is quiet—Chicago requested, \$16 50 a \$17. Lard is buoyant—in barrels, 14 1/2 cents. Whiskey is firm—Ohio, 35 cents. Coffee is quiet at 10 1/2 a 11 1/2 cents. Sugar is dull—Havana, 10 a 12 cents. Spirits turkey is steady at 5 1/2 cents. Rosin is firm at \$1 90. Rice is heavy at 4 1/2 a 5 1/2 cents. Freight is nominally easier.

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